

WARCRIME TRIALS

NURNBERG

GERMANY

Nov. 20, 1945

THE DEFENDANTS

The twenty-one War Criminals on trial at the International Military Tribunal Court in Nurnberg, Germany.

GOERING, Hermann Wilhelm

Successor designated to Hitler, Sept. 1939.
Member of the Reichstag, 1928-
President of Prussian State Council, 1933-
President of the Reichstag, 1933-
Prime Minister of Prussia and Commander-in-Chief of the
Prussian Police, 1933-
Reich Minister for Air, 1933-
Commander-in-Chief of the Luftwaffe, 1935-
Trustee for the Four Year Plan, October 1936-
Reichsmarschall, 1940
Chairman of Ministerial Defense Council
Reich Hunting and Forest Master
SS General
SA General

HESS, Rudolf

Deputy Fuhrer for all Party Affairs until 1941-
Successor Designate II, of the Fuhrer 1939-41

RIBBENTROP, Joachim von

Party Delegate for Questions of Foreign Policy
Reich Foreign Minister, Feb. 1938-
Member of Secret Cabinet Council
Member of Reichstag
SS Brigadier General

ROSENBERG, Alfred

Reichsleiter for Ideology and Foreign Policy, 1933-
Reich Minister for the Occupied Eastern Territories, 1941-
Member of the Reichstag
SA General
Publisher of NS monthly periodical

Born 1893, Reval; of German Baltic extraction; studied architecture; did not participate in fighting in 1914-18; in 1918 in Paris; rumored to have been a spy; continued studies in Munchen; joined Nazi Party; first Editor of "Volkischer Beobachter" 1921; participated in 1923 Putsch; since then always one of the most prominent Nazi leaders; 1933 Hitler's private envoy in London; 1941 Reich Minister for Eastern Occupied Territories; has been the official Party "philosopher"; his book "Mythus des 20. Jahrhunderts" ranks in Party literature second to Hitler's "Mein Kampf"; was also responsible for the introduction of the crudest form of anti-Semitism into Germany and the Nazi Party.

FRANK, Hans

Governor-General of Poland, 1939-
Reich Minister without Portfolio
Member of the Reichstag
SS General
Chief of Party Lawyers Organization, 1933-42
President of International Chamber of Law and Academy of
German Law, 1933-42

Born 1900; father was a barrister and struck off register
for corruption; studied law; one of leading Party lawyers
before 1933; in 1933 Bavarian Minister of Justice; until
summer 1942 leader of NRSB, and head of Party law division
succeeded by Thierack; 1939-45 Governor-General of Poland.

KALTENBRUNNER, Ernst

Chief of Reich Security Department, Jan. 1934
Chief of Criminal Police, Div. V, Reichsicherheitshauptamt
1941-
Member of the Reichstag
General of the Police
SS General

Born 1903, Ried (Austria); elementary school; law studies
in Graz; 1926 Dr.; 1933 Gauleiter and legal adviser to the
SS, in Austria; 1933-34 commander of SS-Standarte 37 and
later of the whole SS, in Austria; 1934 took part in
Dollfuß putsch and was imprisoned in Wöllersdorf detention
camp for 4½ months; later 1 year in prison, March 1938
Commander of SS-Abschnitt Ostmark; Staatssekretär for se-
curity in the Seyss-Inquart government; SS-Brigadeführer;
1941 Generalleutnant der Polizei; Jan. 1943 Chef des RSHA
1944 War Merit Cross with Swords; Jan. 1945 reported Chief
of Amt V.

FRICK, Wilhelm

Reichsleiter
Head of Nazi Parliamentary Group in Reichstag
Reich Minister of Interior, 1933-August 1943
Member Ministerial Council, 1939-1943
Reich Protector in Bohemia and Moravia, Aug. 1943-
Member of Secret Cabinet Council
SS General

Born 1887 Alsenz, Pfalz; father teacher; law studies at
Göttingen, Berlin, Heidelberg universities; since 1900 in
state administrative service; 1904-24 with Munich Police
nor war Service; after 1919 early sympathiser with Nazi
Party; helped "Feme" murders (Freikorps members) to escape
capture; took part in 1923 Munich Putsch 1924 MdR.;
imprisonment for Munich Putsch therefore never served;
1930-31 Minister in Thuringian (first German Nazi) Govt, in
charge of education; 30 Jan 1933 Reich Minister of the
Interior; 1939 member of Ministerrat für die
Reichsverteidigung; succeeded by Himmler Aug. 1943;
since then Reichsprotector.

STREICHER, Julius

Gauletier of Franconi, 1933-36

Editor of "Der Sturmer"; notorious anti-semite; member of Reichstag; schoolmaster by profession; honorary leader of SA.

KEITEL, Wilhelm

Field Marshall and Chief of Oberkommando der Wehrmacht.

Born 1882, Helmscherode (Braunschweig); 1901 Fahnrich; 1914-1918 Adjutant and staff appointments; 1919 member of a Frei Korps; 1920-25 Military School and Regimental appointments; 1925 Reichswehr Ministry; 1929 head of Army Organization Dept.; 1931 Oberst; 1934 General-Major; 1935 Wehrmachtamt; 1938 appointment as above; Nov. 1938 Generaloberst; July 1940 Generalfeldmarschall; 1940 Knight's Cross; conducted French Armistice negotiations at Compiègne; one of the pro-Hitler Generals.

FUNK, Walter, Dr.

Vice-president of the Reich Culture Chamber

Secretary of State in Propaganda Ministry, 1933-37

Reich Minister of Economics, 1937-

President of the Reichsbank, 1939-

Member of the Ministerial Defense Council

Born 1890 Trakenen (Ostpreussen); studied law, economics philosophy, literature; music at Berlin and Leipzig; 1912 journalist; 1916 on staff of "Berliner Borsenzeitung"; 1921-30 chief editor of same; joined Nazis and became economic adviser to Hitler; 1932 Mdr.; 1933 Press Chief of the Reich Government and Statisssekretar in Ministry of Propaganda; helped Boebbels in creating Chamber of Culture, Nov. 1937 succeeded Schacht as Reich Minister of Economics, 1939 succeeds Schacht also in presidency of Reichsbank; unlike most other Nazi leaders, was not a failure before starting his Party career; has no economic programme of his own, but is largely opportunist; most of the war-important responsibilities of his Ministry were given to Speer in 1944; since then, may have lost his seat on the Ministerial directorships include Golddiskontbank, Continentale Ol, AG.

SCHACHT, Hjalmar

Reich Minister of Economics 1933-36

Commissioner of Four Year Plan, 1936

Reich Minister without Portfolio, 1936-1939

President of the Reichsbank until 1939.

Born 1877, Tingleff (Schleswig); educated at the Gymn in Hamburg; was a journalist in Berlin; joined the staff of a propaganda office of the German export industry; 1903 head of economic archives of the Dresdner Bank; 1908 Deputy Director of same bank; 1914-18 financial adviser of the Banking Section of the German General Govt. in Belgium; 1916 having left the Dresdner Bank joined the staff of the

SCHACHT, Hjalmar (contd)

"Nationalbank fur Deutschland"; 1918 joined the Democratic Party; Nov. 1923 was appointed Currency Commissioner and President of the Reich Bank; 1930 came into contact with Hitler and made financial resources available to him; was again President of the Reich Bank under Hitler and in 1936 became Economic Director of the Third Reich; was first commissioner of the Four Year Plan, but succeeded by Goering in 1936, thus losing position as Minister of Economics; Nov. 1937 reinstated as Minister of Economics; Jan 1939 removed from Presidency of Reich Bank; 1943 was reported to have been expelled from the Nazi Party; his arrest was reported in autumn 1944, but he was subsequently supposed to have been released; in Jan. 1945 he was again said to be in prison in Berlin.

DOENITZ, Karl

Commander-in-Chief Navy
Commander-in-Chief U-Boats
Chancellor, May 1945

Born 1891, Cramau (nr. Berlin): 1910 joined Navy; 1914 transferred to Naval Air Arm; became flight-observer, later, seaplane squadron leader; 1916-18 U-Boat service; taken prisoner; 1919 taken over by new German Navy; 1929 commanded cruiser "Emden"; 1932 on Staff of the Naval Station "North Sea"; 1935 Kapitän zur See and Cdr. of U-Boats; 1939 Konteradmiral; 1940 Vice Admiral; 1942 Admiral; 1943 Grossadmiral; since Jan 1943 command as above; April 1940 Knight's Cross; April 1943 Oak Leaves of the Knight's Cross.

SCHIRACH, Baldur von

Chief of Reich Youth, 33-
Gauleiter, Vienna
Member of the Reichstag, 32-
Reichsstatthalter of Vienna
Reich Defense Commissioner
Hitler Youth Leader, 32-
President of "Friends of German Academy"

Born 1907, Weimar; son of theatrical director; was educated at Weimar and there heard Hitler speak; 1925 joined the NSDAP while studying at Munich University; 1927 appointed leader of the NS, Students' Union; 1932 became a member of the Reichstag and National Leader of the German Youth; May 1933 was named "Leader of the Youth of the German Reich"; has written verses, songs, and books for the Movement.

SAUCKEL, Fritz

Gauleiter of Thuringen 1927-
Reichsstatthalter of Thuringen, 1933-
Plenipotentiary-General for Manpower, Mar. 1942-
Reich Defense Commissioner

SPEER, Albert

Reichsleiter
Head of Party Technical Affairs Office
Building Inspector for Party Rallies, 1933-
(contd)

SPEER, Albert, (Contd)

Building Inspector for Berlin 1937

Reich Minister for Armament & War Production, Feb. 1942

Plenipotentiary for Building, Electric and Water Power

Chief Ruhr War Damage Repair Commission

Chief of Organization Todt, Feb. 1942-

President Reich Research Council.

PAPEN, Franz von

Vice-Chancellor 1933-34

Ambassador to Austria, 34-38

Ambassador to Turkey to 1944

Born 1879

JODL, Alfred

Chief of Staff (Operational)

High Command of the Wehrmacht, 1942-

NEURATH, Constantin von

Reich Minister of Foreign Affairs, 1932-1938

President of Secret Cabinet Council, 1938

Reich Protector of Bohemia and Moravia, 1939-1941

Member of the Reichstag

SS General 1943

Member of the Academy for German Law

SEYSS-INQUART, Dr. Arthur

Reich Minister of Interior and Security, 1938-1939

Reichsstatthalter Ostmark, 1939-1940

Reich Commissioner for Occupied Netherlands, 1940-

Reich Minister without Portfolio 1940-

SS General

President of the German Academy

RAEDER, Erich

Admiral Inspector of German Navy, 1943-

Commander-in-Chief of German Navy, 1928-1943

FRITSCHE, Hans

Ministerialdirektor, Reich Ministry of Propaganda, Bevollmächtigter

für die Politische Gestaltung des grossdeutschen Rundfunks

(Plenipotentiary for the political supervision of broadcasting in Greater Germany); head of Broadcasting Division in Propaganda Ministry.

FLOOR PLAN OF COURT ROOM

- 1 Goering
2. Hoss
- 3 Ribbentrop
- 4 Keitel
- 5 Rosenberg
- 6 Frank
- 7 Frick
- 8 Streicher
- 9 Funk
- 10 Schacht
- 11 Doenitz
- 12 Raeder
- 13 Schirach
- 14 Sankel
- 15 Jodl
- 16 Von Papen
- 17 Seess-Inquart
- 18 Speer
- 19 Neurath
- 20 Fritzsche
- 21 Interpreters
- 22 Defense Counsels
- 23 Marshall of the Court
- 24 Witness Stand
- 25 Speakers Stand
- 26 Court Recorders
- 27 Secretaries to the Court, Etc.
- 28 Volchkow, Russian Alternate Judge
- 29 Maj Gen Nikitchenko Russian Judge
- 30 Birkett, British Alternate
- 31 Lord Lawrence British Judge
- 32 Atty. Gen. Biddle American Judge
- 33 Parker, American Alternate Judge
- 34 De Vabres, French Judge
- 35 Falco, French Alternate Judge
- 36 Prosecutors desk
- 37 British Prosecutor
- 38 American Prosecutor Justice Jackson
- 39 Russian Prosecutors
- 40 French Prosecutors
- 41 Seats for Distinguished Visitors

